Department of Defense; Robert F. Hale, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), Department of Defense; and Robert S. Taylor, Acting General Counsel of the Department of Defense, Department of Defense.

### DEVELOPMENT AND INTEGRATION OF AIR/SEA BATTLE STRATEGY, GOVERNANCE AND POLICY INTO THE SERVICES' ANNUAL PROGRAM PROCESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing on USAF, USN and USMC Development and Integration of Air/Sea Battle Strategy, Governance and Policy into the Services' Annual Program, Planning, Budgeting and Execution (PPBE) Process. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Upper Half James G. Foggo III, USN, Assistant Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Operations, Plans and Strategy) (N3/ N5B), Department of Defense; Major General James J. Jones, USAF, Director of Operations, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations Plans, Department of Defense; Brigadier General Kevin J. Killea, USMC, Director of the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory, Department of Defense; and Major General Michael S. Stough, USAF, Vice Director, Joint Force Development, J7, Department of Defense.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3212, the "Sean and David Goldman International Child Abduction Prevention and Return Act of 2013". The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

# EPA VS. AMERICAN MINING JOBS: THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION'S REGULATORY ASSAULT ON THE ECONOMY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled "EPA vs. American Mining Jobs: The Obama Administration's Regulatory Assault on the Economy". Testimony was heard from Edmund Fogels, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, State of Alaska Representative, Interstate Mining Compact Commission; and public witnesses.

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on H.R. 3176, to reauthorize the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3189, to prohibit the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer, relinquishment, or other impairment of any water right to the United States by the Secretaries of the

Interior and Agriculture. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### BUNGLING BUNDLING: HOW CONTRACT BUNDLING AND CONSOLIDATION REMAIN CHALLENGES TO SMALL BUSINESS SUCCESS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce held a hearing entitled "Bungling Bundling: How Contract Bundling and Consolidation Remain Challenges to Small Business Success". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### FUNDING THE NATION'S FREIGHT SYSTEM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Panel on 21st Century Freight Transportation held a hearing entitled "Funding the Nation's Freight System". Testimony was heard from Sean T. Connaughton, Secretary, Virginia Department of Transportation; Leif Dormsjo, Deputy Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

# FACING THE DANGERS OF VA'S SKYROCKETING USE OF PRESCRIPTION PAINKILLERS TO TREAT VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Between Peril and Promise: Facing the Dangers of VA's Skyrocketing Use of Prescription Painkillers to Treat Veterans". Testimony was heard from Steven G. Scott, M.D., Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Service, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Robert L. Jesse, M.D., Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a meeting on Member Access Requests. This hearing was closed.

# Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the impacts of the Government shutdown on economic security, 1 p.m., SR-253.

#### House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled "Biodefense: Resources and Priorities within the Department of Defense", 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

# Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the way forward from government shutdown and debt ceiling confrontation toward long-term fiscal sustainability and economic growth, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth Building.